IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Herbert WOLTER

Title: SILANE AND SILICIC ACID POLYCONDENSATES WITH

RADICALS CONTAINING BRANCHED-CHAIN URETHANE, ACID

AMIDE AND/OR CARBOXYLIC ACID ESTER GROUPS

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed March 25, 2009, Applicant hereby provisionally elects <u>Group I, Claims 1-14 and 40-43</u> for examination, with traverse.

Applicants <u>traverse</u> the PTO's requirement for at least the reason that Groups I and II have identical classification (class 556). Accordingly, no additional search burden would be imposed upon the Examiner to examine at least the claims of Groups I and II.

As acknowledged by the PTO, the claims of Group V are eligible for rejoinder upon the PTO's indication that the elected claims are allowable. Further, Applicant reserves the right to file one or more divisional applications directed to the subject matter of non-elected claims. The Applicant now awaits an early and favorable action on the merits. Should Examiner Price believe that a discussion would facilitate examination, he is kindly invited to contact the Applicant's undersigned attorney by telephone at the number below.

Respectfully submitted,

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing or a credit card payment form being unsigned, providing incorrect information resulting in a rejected credit card transaction, or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extension fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.